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SUBJ: EDITORIAL COMMENTARY ON ARMENIAN ISSUE

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1. THE ARMENIAN ISSUE WAS THE PREDOMINANT SUBJECT IN APRIL 24 EDITORIAL COMMENTARY. CONSERVATIVE AND LIBERAL PAPERS ALIKE VOICED THEIR OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION. THE FOLLOWING IS A SAMPLING OF EDITORIAL REACTIONS:

A. CONSERVATIVE TERCUMAN: "TURKS AND ARMENIANS LIVED AS BROTHERS IN ANATOLIA AND ONLY BECAME ENEMIES THROUGH THE PROVOCATION OF AMERICAN AND BRITISH IMPERIALISTS....AMERICA HAS FALLEN UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF THE GREEKS AND THEIR BRIBES, AND IN SPITE OF THE WARNINGS OF FORD AND KISSINGER, THE U.S. CONGRESS DOES EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO UPSET THE BALANCE IN THE MEDITERRANEAN..."

B. CONSERVATIVE DUNYA: "THE U.S. CONGRESS AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN PARTICULAR, ARE FOLLOWING A POLICY WHICH GOES AGAINST THAT WHICH THE U.S. GOVERNMENT
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WANTS ... AMERICANS SEEM TO HAVE FORGOTTEN THE MURDER OF

TWO YOUNG TURKISH DIPLOMATS IN THEIR OWN COUNTRY WHEN THEY
DECLARE THIS DATE ..."

C. SENSATIONALIST HURRIYET: "ON ONE HAND TURKEY IS BEING
PRESSED TO COME TO THE CONFERENCE TABLE WITH GREECE, AND ON
THE OTHER HAND, ARMENIANS ARE USED TO BELITTLE THE
TURKS ... TURKEY HAS NO QUARREL WITH THE ARMENIANS
BUT THEY ARE BEING PROVOKED INTO ACTION ... TURKEY IS NOT SO
STUPID AS NOT TO UNDERSTAND WHAT AMERICA AND GREECE ARE UP
TO ..."

D. LEFTIST CUMHURIYET: "THE U.S. BY THIS TYPE OF PROPAGANDA
CANNOT GAIN ANYTHING. THIS CAMPAIGN IS NOT THE WORK OF TURKISH
ARMENIANS, BUT IS INSTIGATED IN PARTICULAR BY RICH ARMENIANS
IN AMERICA ... THE TIME SHOULD BE PAST WHEN RACIAL AND
RELIGIOUS DIFFERENCES ARE INCITED..."

2. MILI GAZETE, THE NATIONAL SALVATION PARTY ORGAN, WAS ONLY
PAPER REFERRING TO ARMENIAN ISSUE ON APRIL 25. THE EDITORIAL
NOTED THAT FOREIGNERS TRIED TO CREATE DISTURBANCES BY USING
MINORITIES AND RELIGIOUS SECTS TO UNDERMINE THE OTTOMAN
EMPIRE AND "NOW TURKEY IS COMING INTO HER OWN AND THE
WEST IS AFRAID OF THIS AND AGAIN RESORTS TO THE CREATION OF
INTERNAL QUARRELS."
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